

# STEPHENSON DECLARES WAR ON EDUCATION

TORONTO (CUP)—While students enjoyed their Christmas vacation, Ontario's Minister of Colleges and Universities, Bette Stephenson, appointed a three-person task force to study ways of radically altering the province's university system.

Stephenson appointed the commission to develop "a plan of action to reshape the university system."

"I believe that the universities of tomorrow should have more clearly defined, different, and distinctive roles. Each of them should assume a character and structure that is consistent and compatible with that role," Stephenson told the Ontario legislature.

The commission will be chaired by Edmund Bovey, a retired chairperson of Norcen Energy Resources Ltd. Bovey sits on the Boards of many

Canadian corporations, including Canada Packers Inc., Abitibi-Price Inc. and the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce.

The other two commissioners are Ronald Watts, principal of Queen's University and J. Fraser Mustard, formerly of McMaster University and now president of the Canadian Institute of Advanced research.

The commission is expected to make its report by this summer. In her announcement to the legislature Stephenson indicated she does not expect the commission to hold public hearings. It may rely on reports prepared over the past few years.

Stephenson said she does not believe it will be necessary to reduce the number of universities in Ontario, but said "fundamental changes may be

necessary to some or all of the institutions.

"Each university cannot aspire to universality," she said.

By what she calls a "short-term intervention" by government in the post-secondary planning process, Stephenson hopes to make universities more specialized.

Laurentian University President Dr. Henry Best strongly opposes any intervention by the government into the universities' academic planning. "I am very concerned about even temporary intervention by the state into university affairs. The experience has been in this country that when things are handled over to government, they don't come back. We need to be very, very careful," he said.

According to Stephenson, the provincial government

plans on making universities more specialized and closely related to business sector interests.

"The government believes that the establishment of highly specialized, designated-purpose institutes through cooperative involvement of the universities and the business sector would contribute significantly to our economic recovery."

Specialization, she said, will "provide expertise which could respond to provincial and national objectives as well as industrial initiatives while maintaining a high level of research activity."

University programs should be made more responsive to the needs of the labor market, Stephenson said. Career-related programs should be assessed in terms of economic and societal needs," she said.

Some programs may be eliminated. "I am led to wonder whether we truly need 10 faculties of education producing over 3,000 graduates annually, at a time when the potential for teacher employment remains uncertain," she said.

She also expressed concern over the number of lawyers graduating from Ontario's six law schools each year.

Prof. Lloyd Wagner, President of the Laurentian University Faculty Association (LUFA) termed the Bovey commission "an undemocratic dictatorial implementation committee" of a government policy which is already established. He pointed out that the Bovey commission will not be holding hearings or accepting submissions from any group outside the government.

A major concern of Professor Wagner is the impact of the university restructuring on faculty.

"The restrictions on funding have made it difficult to do recruitment. Bette Stephenson's retirement provisions are aimed at getting rid of excess faculty after restructuring. I wouldn't want to be a faculty member fifty years or older anywhere in the system," he said.

Stephenson said she knows it is difficult to forecast manpower requirements, but said she is nevertheless determined to "address the need for a process whereby adjustments can be regularly made to the resources allocated to the professional programs, such as education, law, medicine, dentistry, etc."

The commission will also reconsider Ontario's long-standing policy on broad access to university education. Currently all Ontario grade 13 graduates with an average of 60 per cent or more are guaranteed a place in a provincial university.

Harold Haynes, Social Work rep on the SGA expressed concern that the net

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## FUNDING CHANGES MEAN LITTLE CHANGE

TORONTO (CUP)—The Ontario government's new university funding formula is a face-saving device for the Minister of Colleges and Universities, Bette Stephenson, an Ontario Federation of Students spokesperson says.

OFS Researcher Richard Balnis said Stephenson has created a new funding formula to avoid opposition charges of failure to meet her commitments.

Last year Stephenson said she planned to revise the current university funding formula, but the announcement was postponed until the Christmas break.

David Nowlan, a vice-president of research and planning at the University of Toronto, said that in effect the new formula is not much

different from the current one. He described the revised formula as an "interim measure" designed to last only until a more lasting formula is devised.

Nowlan said he thinks the creation of a more lasting formula has been postponed until at least this summer, when the recently appointed commission on restructuring Ontario's university system make its report.

Balnis said he too thinks further revisions to the funding formula are "on hold" until the Bovey Commission reports.

He said a lasting formula might be introduced later this year as part of a package of revisions to the provincial university based on the commission's report.

Stephenson has guaranteed that no Ontario university will receive less than a five per cent increase in funding next year. Where the funding will be based on the new formula. The remaining two-thirds will still be calculated according to the current formula, which gives more weight to current enrolment trends.

However, despite measure to limit the impact of the new formula, it will mean a lesser increase in funding for some universities than would be the case under the current formula.

Carleton, Trent, Brock, Laurentian and York Universities, with sharp increases in recent enrolment, will benefit less from the new formula than from the current one.

Under the new formula, for

example, York will receive about \$445,000 less next year than it would have under the current formula, Balnis said.

He said Trent's enrolment has jumped 17 per cent this year, while Brock's and Laurentian's has increased about 15 per cent. Enrolment at York and Carleton is up about eight per cent this year over last.

According to Dr. Henry Best, President of Laurentian University, the new funding formula will result in a loss of about \$50,000 from what LU would have received under the old formula.

"Obviously we are not happy about it. However, a number of the larger universities wanted the formula chang-

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## SEARCHES SAVE TIME FOR LAURENTIAN STUDENTS

Are you facing the prospect of spending hours putting together a review of literature for a major paper or thesis? If so, then Bob Wilson or Ashley Thomson, Reference Librarian, may be able to help you do a more complete, efficient job in a matter of minutes.

Through the use of a computer terminal which can link with computers throughout North America via telephone, a whole range of data banks can be accessed.

The most important function of the automated reference service is its ability to conduct bibliographic searches. According to Dr. Brian Bigelow of Child and Development Studies, the time saving can be immense.

"Without this (automated bibliographic search) you can spend hundreds of hours and

end up waiting weeks for material. You can do virtually hundreds of hours of research in a matter of minutes."

Some of the bibliographic data bases can be accessed free of charge. If a student wishes to do a more exhaustive search it may be necessary to turn to data bases which charge anywhere from twenty to fifty cents for each reference plus on-line time. An exhaustive search may cost up to thirty or forty dollars though this is usually unnecessary.

Since some of the bibliographic sources, such as Psychology Abstracts, are available in hard copy in the library, one may ask what advantages there are to a computer search. The answer lies in speed and thoroughness. In a matter of seconds the computer can scan two de-

cades of bibliographies. More important yet is the computer's ability to scan not only titles, but key words in the abstract. The computer can also cross reference bibliographies for even more specific topics.

The scope of the references can then be further reduced by specifying other variables such as language (ie: English) or years (ie: 1974-79). A major drawback to the system is the fact that the computer is a high-speed moron. If a reference relevant to your research does not include one of the key words provided, the reference will not be listed.

If you are interested in seeing how the automated references service can work for you, contact Ashley Thomson in the reference library or Bob Wilson in the Science Library.







## EDITORIAL

## BUT, WHERE IS THE STUDENT?

By Stephen Glass

### DELAY THE CFS REFERENDUM

Yawn. Have you noticed the vigorous YES campaign mounted by the SGA to inform students of the benefits of membership in the Canadian Federation of Students.

Bets are you didn't even realize that the SGA is asking you for a student fee increase to cover the cost of membership. There are two possible reasons for the campaign that never was. Either our fearless leaders are too bored to bother trying to inform their constituents or they are afraid that if we get the facts we might be too informed to vote YES.

If the problem is that the SGA can't find enough informed and concerned students to run a vigorous, intelligent YES campaign, I recommend we don't further burden the organization with our ignorance and apathy.

The question of membership in CFS is not cut and dried. In the present circumstances it is obvious we need a strong, well-funded, provincial student organization to organize students against Bette Stephenson's attack on education.

Maybe we need a national organization, maybe we don't. To ask students to vote on an issue in which those who have the information have failed to share it either by negligence of design is unfair.

If the SGA Council truly respect and trusts its members, it should delay the CFS membership question until the Council elections in March. It should spend the intervening months doing an honest job of informing students on our options.

At a time when post secondary education is under attack as never before in its history the entire student movement from the grassroots up is well on the way to being an irrelevant has-been force in university affairs. We've got an anemic national student organization. We have an SGA Council that votes in its sleep. The student body itself is comatose. We have student leaders that are the perfect reflection of the students they represent. Soon we'll have the university education we deserve too.

Dear Editor:

Benjamin Disraeli once said that education consisted of "light, liberty, and learning." These words are still true today. A university education gives us the chance to meet others from different and diverse backgrounds, to learn to think and analyze, to mature in our attitudes towards ourselves, our neighbours, and our society.

No one is suggesting that our system of post secondary education is above review. Indeed, there is always the need to constantly examine our social systems, and to make productive changes whenever necessary. In that way, the recent announcement by Bette Stephenson that a committee will be established to examine the university system can be seen as a step forward. However, the make-up of the committee is two steps backwards.

Dr. Stephenson has appointed to the committee two faculty members, and one businessman. But, where is the student? Would the government not appoint a Jew to a committee discussing anti-semitism? Or a Black to a committee discussing racism? Or a woman to a committee discussing sexual discrimination? I have met several students at Laurentian who

have the maturity, experience, dedication, involvement, and drive to be both useful and productive members of this commission. I am sure that such individuals exist at each and every university in Ontario. Today, there are almost 280,000 full and part-time students attending Ontario's

universities. If Dr. Stephenson does not feel that there is one student in Ontario worthy of being appointed to this commission, then, indeed, we really are wasting the money invested in our post secondary institutions.

Ron Vine

## Student Security Head Not Doing His Job ??

Dear Editor:

Where are the Women on Student Security?

It has come to our attention that there have been many instances at the Pub, and at some of the dances, where there have been no women working on Student Security. Is it not Mr. Lafreniere's job to see to it that there is at least one woman working at every major event, including Thursday night?

Part of the duties of Head of Student Security is to ensure that women will be on staff and will be working, as

outlined in the job description.

As a collective, involved with the rights of women, we are concerned that this is not being done. This campus has a majority of women, who aren't sufficiently represented on student security staff. Is it possible that Mr. Lafreniere's opinion of women is interfering with his duties?

What is going to be done about this?

The Laurentian Association of Women

L'Association des femmes de la Laurentienne

## Needed: A Conspiracy For Peace

Dear Editor:

Politics as we know it has let us down. What we need is a conspiracy for peace.

Only a universal mutiny can save man from war. Only an international refusal to bear arms can force peace upon those world leaders who have other plans.

As does any arrangement elsewhere to which people have consented, our democracy deserved our support, but does its militarism deserve our blood? And when will diplomats, on the brink of war, stop defending ways of life and finally defend life itself?

The world is ruled by ideology and calls those who would rather live without one terrorist. Yet nothing can terrorize as well as ideology. But is there such a thing as politics with no system or ideal other than brotherhood? Or are only the naive capable of replacing power with cooperation?

Peace should not be seen as complacency, but as that degree of health which prevents war. And what is politics all about if not this art of prevention? We easily forget what John Lennon declared: War is over if you want it.

We know we are all neighbours. So when will we

stop respecting the chosen few who tell us we are all enemies?

The Ides Of March is a student collective for peace planning a day long festival to protest the testing of the cruise missile in March, at the North Bay NORAD Base. Modelled after the peace camps in England and Italy the days events will include music, theatre, poetry, an open forum, games and contests etc. If you are interested Ides Of March will present the film "If You Love This Planet" on Thursday, Feb. 2 in Conference Room A at 11:30.

Peace is where you make it.

THE IDES OF MARCH COMMITTEE

## TAKE CARE

Dear Editor:

As a student of Laurentian, I am shocked and appalled to find such a crass and tasteless advertisement in what I once thought was a respectable paper. The advertisement on page 4 for "nonlubricated conceptrol shields" nullifies the journalistic integrity of your publication. Must we be so blatant about such extra-curricular activities?

I hope in future you will take more "precaution" when accepting advertisements.

Patti Cox

## LAMBDA

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## CANADIANS AID TROUBLED NICARAGUA

By Gordon Clark

In one corner of a huge warehouse sits a 20 foot pile of school desks waiting to be packed. Across the room a surgical table, operating room lamps and hospital beds lie neatly beside other medical

equipment. Spread down one wall are boxes too numerous to count, along with motorcycles, musical instruments and toys.

The donated goods, destined for Nicaragua, are worth \$900,000 — three times the amount of official Canadian

aid given to this Central American country in the last three years.

Phil Westman, organizer of the coalition for Aid to Nicaragua, said the project began last spring when a doctor working in Nicaragua toured across Canada asking Hospitals and private donors to contribute used equipment.

CAN, which organized other shipments to Nicaragua in the last two years, originally aimed to gather only \$500,000 worth of goods. But massive efforts by volunteers enabled \$1 million worth to be collected, said Westman.

Nicaraguan teacher Darwin Juaz said Nicaraguans need the medical, agricultural and school supplies "drastically" because a US invasion complete with troops from neighbouring countries is imminent. The medical equipment will be especially useful, he said.

"This is the biggest crisis that has ever occurred in Central America," he said. "The invasion is expected this month."

Canadian doctor Adrienne Ross, recently returned from Nicaragua, said major gains have been made since the 1979 Sandinista revolution. Improvements in health care

and education are amazing, considering the limited resources, she said.

Infant death has been reduced by 50 per cent and the number of doctors and health care workers has tripled since

spending \$11 million to destabilize Nicaragua and maintain control over the other countries in the area. The US backed counter-revolutionaries recently destroyed 25 per cent of

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effect of the changes Stephenson is seeking to implement will be to reduce university education to a college level, job oriented program. Haynes termed the Bovey Commission "just another way of getting cut backs" and pointed out that Northern students had been proven right in warning that the Parrott Report was merely a practice run before attempting province-wide rationalization.

Stephenson has said she wants to reconsider the policy of broad access, however, her directives to the commission are cautious.

"I would postulate that our university can adopt a policy of accessibility consistent with and appropriate to its various missions as well as the individual missions of the institutions," she said.

Stephenson also wants to ensure that money transferred by the province to the universities is fully accounted for. "There remains a need for the government to satisfy itself that the universities are being managed well," she said.

The commission will also consider:

- \*Ways to encourage ongoing faculty renewal and replacement;

- \*The possible separation of research funding from instructional funding, so that the government can direct funds to what it deems to be desirable research projects;

- \*The role of business in providing money for new equipment in the universities;

- \*Tuition fee levels, to balance the need for "accessibility" with "equitable levels of student contributions" to education.

Both Dr. Best and Prof. Wagner are optimistic that Laurentian University will escape the worst effects of the Bovey Commission due to our northern isolation and the francophone population served by the university.

"We're fairly well insulated because of our isolation and french character" Wagner stated.

Dr. Best suggested that universities in southern Ontario would be the most affected, especially their graduate and professional school programs. "We're somewhat protected by our geographic position. I suspect that the committee will concern itself more with duplication of graduate courses and undergraduate professional schools. Obviously, we must remain close to what's going on" he said.

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ed to benefit them which would have made the formula less enrolment sensitive. It could have been a lot worse" he said.

The new formula will not make a great difference in funding levels for the University of Toronto and other older institutions with modest enrolment growth.

This year universities received an average of about \$3,860 per full-time undergraduate. Next year they will receive an average \$100 more per student, ministry officials said.

Under the current funding formula half a university's grant is based on the number of students enrolled during the 1974-77 period, while the other half is based on enrolment during the immediately preceding three-year period.

Under the new formula, 75 per cent is based on averages of past enrolment, while only 25 per cent is based on the immediately preceding three-year period.

According to the new formula recent increases in enrolment do not result in a

proportional increase in funding. The ministry of colleges and universities (MCU) hopes universities will therefore be discouraged from trying to reach ever-higher enrolment levels.

Decreased enrolment would mean less provincial spending on post-secondary education.

The CFS has developed a list of programs at Ontario universities which, if cut, would represent reduction in University budgets. It was found that hypothetically this type of cutback could be achieved at Laurentian by shutting down the undergraduate Translation and Psychology faculties and terminating graduate Chemistry programme. At Carleton, a ten per cent cutback could hypothetically mean cutting the undergraduate Commerce, and graduate Social Work programs.

The MCU plans to spend about \$1.18 billion in 1984-85. This represents an increase of about 6.5 per cent over 1983-84.

Tuition will be allowed to rise five per cent next year.

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the Sandinistas overthrew dictator Anastasia Somoza.

But the atmosphere in Nicaragua is tense despite these accomplishments, said Ross. Eight thousand troops, including American, are poised on Nicaragua's northern border and 1,000 Nicaraguans, mostly civilians, have been killed in border wars since January.

The US government is

Nicaragua's oil during an attack on the port of Corinto.

Ross said the CAN project will not counter the US money being spent on warfare in the area, but the project educates Canadians about Nicaragua and illustrates their concern.

"The boat project is important because of its supplies, but because it shows emotional support from Canada," she said.

## BIG BETTE IS WATCHING YOU

PETERBOROUGH (CUP)—Three hundred angry Trent students and faculty members rallied "to do battle against battleship Bette" Stephenson, Ontario's education minister, Dec. 2.

The rally mobilized students to boycott classes Dec. 7, protesting the Ontario government's proposed anti-deficit legislation - Bill 42.

In lieu of classes, students marched on Conservative MPP John Turner's office. A petition opposing bill 42 garnered 1300 signatures—close to half Trent's full time enrolment—in less than four days.

The bill, now in its third reading in the legislature, will give the government sweeping power over university administrators. A government appointee will be able to

supervise any university with a deficit greater than two per cent of its operating budget. This supervisor would overrule the Board of Governors, virtually running the university single-handedly.



The legislation ignores the fact that Ontario universities are grossly underfunded, forcing not only deficits but huge cutbacks, said John Hern-

shaw, Trent vice president.

"The legislation is more than unnecessary," NDP education critic Richard Allen said, "It's quite unjust. Institutions are being told they must tighten their belts or else, and the 'or else' is bill 42."

Liberal critic Sean Conway agreed, saying the real purpose behind the bill is it would give the government ominous power.

"We are giving the minister (stephenson) a big stick, a club which will be used immediately as a private tool of intimidation," the Grit MPP said.

Faculty member Ann Morton said "I am fed up with hearing about student apathy, and I think this rally proves that to be a myth." But her final sentence was lost, absorbed by roaring cheers and thunderous applause.

## Students Boycott Undemocratic Exam

SCARBOROUGH (CUP)—A class of students at the University of Toronto's Scarborough College has provoked a bitter debate on campus by boycotting their Christmas exam.

"It was the nature of the course which prompted our actions," a student spokesperson said. "The material covered in the course concentrated on the oppression and powerlessness of the students within the classroom, the power of the administration over the student and the unchallenged authority of the school system," the student said.

So in order to practice what they learned in class, about 37

students simply refused to write their exam.

And in a further twist, their professor agreed with them.

The teacher, John Lee, said the exam boycott was the greatest compliment his students could pay him.

"They shouldn't be punished for what they've done, but given an award of merit," Lee said.

"What is at issue here is democracy in the classroom. They (the students) have democratic rights in society but not in the college," he said.

However, the Scarborough College committee looking into the affair disagreed. The committee voted to uphold a U of T regulation which insists

students who fail to write an exam without just cause, be assigned a mark of zero.

Scarborough College Dean Mike Krashinsky insisted student rights are limited.

"The classroom is not a democracy, it is a division of labour. The student makes his democratic decision when he chooses a course. When I go to the symphony, I don't vote on who is going to play the violin," Krashinsky told the committee.

The matter may now be referred to another committee, where the students may appeal the decision. One student said if the class is not allowed to rewrite the exam, the majority will fail the entire course.



## SCIENCE LIKELY MORE SECRETIVE

Vancouver (CUP)—Government and corporate funding of scientific research poses ethical problems for scientists, an American professor said recently at the University of B.C.

Mary Clark, biology professor at San Diego State University said governments and corporations want the power that scientific research provides and thus scientists encounter the problem of secrecy shrouding their work because of economic considerations.

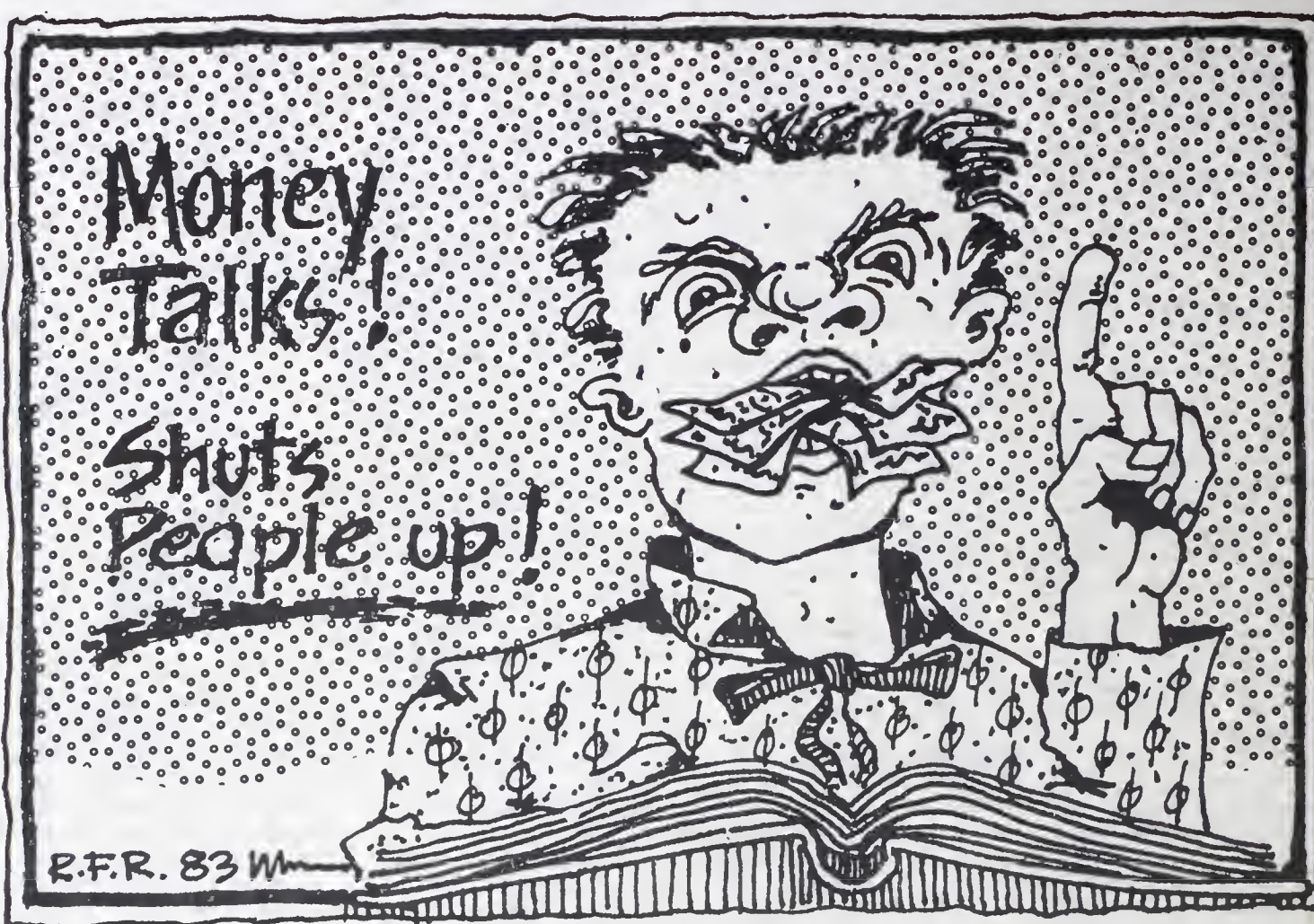
"The secrecy of our competitive system, involving nations, corporations and individuals, leads science into the problem of secrecy as a source of power," Clark said.

This secrecy often favours special interests and benefits those in power, she said. And it has distorted traditional scientific "objectivity" which is now inadequate, she said.

"Science is neither, nor can it be, objective or neutral, but we believe this as a myth," Clark said.

Science is not objective because of the peer review system, methods of acquiring funding, political decisions and its role in society, she said.

"Scientists are both servants of society in search of that part of reality society wants to know about and at the same time shapers of the social vision by determining what the rules of that vision should be."



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Clark, whose speech was sponsored by Science for Peace and Educators for Nuclear Disarmament, stressed scientists must take responsibility for their research because they see the results

effects.

"We have an obligation to monitor the uses of our research products."

"The power that science is giving us is greatly outstripping our wisdom. We need to

place more emphasis on the wisdom that science is giving us."

The public sees scientists as the "new priesthood" and believes that they can solve all political and economic problems with technology, she

added.

"We've painted ourselves into a technological corner," Clark said, adding that scientists must change public attitudes toward their societal role.

## DIRECTION OF CFS TAKES SHAPE AT CONFERENCE

By Donna Mayer and George Cook

The Canadian Federation of Students-Ontario (CFS-O) held a conference last week in Kingston to determine the direction of the organization.

The four day conference established several directives including a stepped-up campaign against rationalization.

The CFS will join forces with three other educational related organizations, CUSA, OCIFA, and CUEW to establish an alternative commission to Bette Stephenson's Bovey commission. A Week of Action has been declared for March 19-24 to inform students of the dangers of rationalization including loss of local offerings of current courses. While no rallies are planned for this week, class moratoriums are slated.

### Calls For Resignation

Further to this campaign, the Federation has decided to call for Bette Stephenson's resignation. This decision came after lengthy debate and a switch from an earlier decision not to call for it. Regarding the call for resignation, Ian Nemes, CFS-O chairperson said, "It's no big deal whether she resigns or not, that's not the point. What we're saying is we've lost confidence in the government."

### Weighted Voting

The decision was made to implement a weighted voting system at all subsequent CFS-O conferences. Universities will be assigned votes on the basis of student enrollment. Since Laurentian University has less than 5000 students it will be allowed one vote. Divisions go up to three votes for universities like Queen's, York and McMaster who have between 23,001 and 35,000 students.

On matters of "contentious issues" motions must be passed by a two-thirds majority instead of the usual fifty plus one procedure. This measure is intended to prevent blocs by the larger schools. Weighted voting will not be effective on the selection of chairperson or the question of quorum. The regular one vote per school will determine these problems.

Northern schools, including Laurentian, supported the weighted voting motion, despite staunch objections at past conferences.

Although the Laurentian delegation spoke against the motion in principle, they "did not want to create a wave of animosity for the larger schools", Barry Schmidl, an LU representative said. "If we weren't going to destroy the Federation we had to institute some form of weighted voting," Schmidl said, "but

we've blunted the main thrust of what they were up to."

Schmidl feels that small institutions will not be hurt by weighted voting because it will rarely come into play. He added however, that they will be in an advantageous position when it comes to holding proxies.

### Northern Fieldworker Located At Laurentian

At the conference it was also passed that the Northern fieldworker should be bilingual and be given a complete

job description. Further to this motion it was agreed that the fieldworker will be located at Laurentian. Office space and secretarial services will be provided by the SGA. This motion was put forth by Laurentian delegates who were acting on the directive given them by an unanimous SGA Council decision earlier this year.

### New Chair Elected

Monika Turner, a graduate student of anthropology at McMaster University, has

been elected chairperson of CFS-O. Turner, who begins her term in June, won by a clear majority on the first ballot. She intends to follow in the current chair Ian Nemes' footsteps in a "facilitating and mediating role in the Federation."

### Laurentian Delegation Satisfied With Outcome

Barry Schmidl said the "98.5 per cent of all the motions went the way we wanted them to go." "We are over whelmed with joy," he added.

## WHY JUST IN SCIENCE?

By Hugh Kruzel

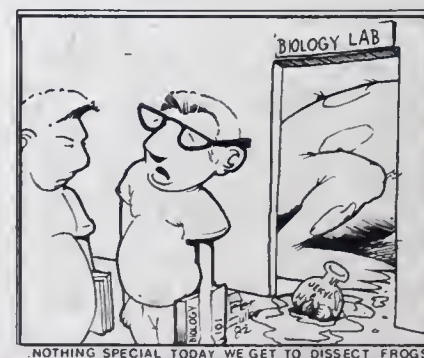
I have for years tried to figure out the reasoning behind the location of lockers in the basement and underground walkway of Science One. Agree, this is a fine place for a large percentage of them as the area would otherwise be largely unutilized, but what of the student of some of the other departments? Are the students enrolled in many of the Arts programmes destined to carry forever the burden of life in the Great White North? Here I am not speaking of the mentality of like in an Arctic climate, but instead, of the trappings that this life north of 47 degrees dictates that we must follow.

I see them each day.

Struggling with more than concepts and logic the majority of Arts students walk heavily in the shadow of winter apparel: boots, coats, hats, gloves, scarves, the list is endless, or so it seems.

Those who were blessed with the ability to divine where and when to "purchase" lockers are the lucky ones, and luckier

if their classes are in the Science buildings or in the Classroom Building. For those who were not so lucky raise a gloved hand and be counted or things will never change. Your memories of Laurentian will be fonder still if you play an active part in its community and governance.





## REX AN EVIL GENIUS??

By Jock Vance  
Contributing Writer  
Silhouette-CUP

Boy, people sure are strange. At least the people I know sure are strange—maybe that's a reflection on me; I don't know? Take Rex for instance. Rex just finished painting his 1974 Pinto himself...with a roller and six gallons of CIL Lucite (no. 2419 Moss Green) that he got at a scratch and dent sale in Kresge's bargain basement. Actually, it looks pretty good—it would look even better if he hadn't left it out in the wind to dry. Now it feels a bit like fine grade sand paper and looks rather like an African mosquito exhibit at the Royal Ontario Museum.

I don't want to give the impression that Rex is cheap, though—far from it. He's quite willing to spend hundreds of dollars on a stereo of a guitar, even though he's already got seven or eight of each. Going shopping with Rex is quite an experience. He gets all dressed up in his pyjama tops, thermal underwear, fishing hat and black leather dress shoes shined all the way into next week, puts on his black wrap-around sunglasses with the green lens and drags me and four or five other unfortunates to Morty's Sterio Heaven (No Questions Asked) or some other such reputable outlet. Last week, we spent three hours shopping for a head cleaner for his four cassette decks. I personally didn't know that the colour of the cleaning cassette affected its performance, but maybe that's why I have only one stereo.

Of course, Rex doesn't just ruin cars and waste money on superfluous audio equipment in his spare time—on any given night, he can be found in The John, wearing his Sterio shopping ensemble with four inches of toilet paper hanging out of his ears. No one has had the heart to tell him that if you use toilet paper to cut down noise, it's a good idea to push it all the way into your ears. However, he has met some quite nice nursing students who take pity on him because they think he has bleeding eardrums.

You may be wondering how Rex got like this. Some say his mother drank too much coffee while she was pregnant—I think that's cruel. Some say he's really a genius waiting for the right moment when he can grasp the reins of power and run roughshod over Western society—not wishing to be unkind, Rex can't even grasp the thread of an argument let alone the reins of power. No, I think it's a lot more simple than that. You see, every time I go over to Rex's house, I find him hanging upside down on a hockey stick suspended between two Marshall amplifier cabinets. Sometimes he's watching T.V., sometimes he's reading, sometimes he's just swaying back and forth—no matter what he's doing though, his face always looks like a giant red pepper. I asked

him once why he did it—he just smiled ruddily at me and said, "It's cool." So, I asked his mother why he did it—she just shrugged her shoulders sadly and emptied another pot of coffee into her blackened mug. Well, I think Rex is suffering from marinated

brains, caused by countless and unidentifiable bodily juices rushing to his skull and drowning his brain for four hours a day. Or maybe he is an evil genius...

I don't think so, though. If Rex was an evil genius, he'd be trying to lull us into a false

sense of security by being as normal and believable as possible. And, quite frankly, I am not convinced by a man who thinks Captain Crunch cereal is named after a hero of the US Civil War and who has written dozens of letters to Maxwell Smart trying to get a

date with Agent 99. If that doesn't convince you, look carefully at the tail pipe of his Pinto—I think you'll find that it's an empty tube of Christmas wrapping paper covered with muffler sealing tape. Evil genius? I doubt it.

## The Preambulating Poles

The traditional description of the earth's magnetic poles as "north" and "south" has been put in question by the Soviet geophysicist Nikolai Medvedev.

He says they should be called the "current north" and the "current south" since, according to his computation, they continually move along closed curves on the surface of the earth and, indeed, change hemispheres every 2,000 years or so.

Some 800 years from now, the scientist says, South Magnetic Pole, which has recently left the Antarctic mainland and is moving towards Australia, will reach the equator in the area of New Guinea and cross it into the northern hemisphere.



Detailed study

Medvedev, a member of many Soviet Antarctic expeditions, made a detailed study of the logbooks of Russian and foreign mariners who circumnavigated the globe in the past 200 years.

He analysed the data in old chronicles and other documents dealing with the behavior of magnetic needles.

This has enabled him to compute the paths of the magnetic poles' drift, which turned out to be ellipses girdling the earth with a periodic cycle of about 4,000 years.

According to Medvedev's calculations, the South Magnetic Pole travels an average of 33 metres a day—12 kilometres a year.

After crossing the equator, he says, it will move on to the Japanese islands and Kamchatka, describe an arc across the northern part of the Pacific and return to the Antarctic along the American coast.

The North Magnetic Pole,

travelling 23 metres a day, will move from the islands of the Canadian archipelago and across the Arctic Ocean to the Ural mountain range.

It will then cross the western part of Asia, round Africa and return to its present location across the Atlantic.

The scientist believes that the magnetic poles' drift is caused by an uneven, slowedown movement of the earth's heavy inner nucleus.

This also explains periodic changes in volcanic and seismic activity and the tectonic movements of the Earth's crust on a planetary scale.

In connection with the migration of the magnetic poles, Oimyakon in Yakutia, north-east Siberia, will soon lose its reputation as the northern pole of cold, the Leningrad meteorologist, Kirill Kondratovich, told a meeting of the USSR Geographical Society.

He noted that the coldest zones of the northern hemisphere coincide most nearly

with the points of highest tension of the Earth's magnetic field—the eastern part of Canada in the area of the North Magnetic Pole, and

Oimyakon, where the intensity of natural magnetism is only slightly inferior to that of Canada.

### Molecular level

The difference between winter and summer temperatures is particularly great in these places.

Streams of air penetrate there seldom, and the atmosphere "works poorly."

The scientist believes that the mechanism of the magnetic-weather links is at the molecular level.

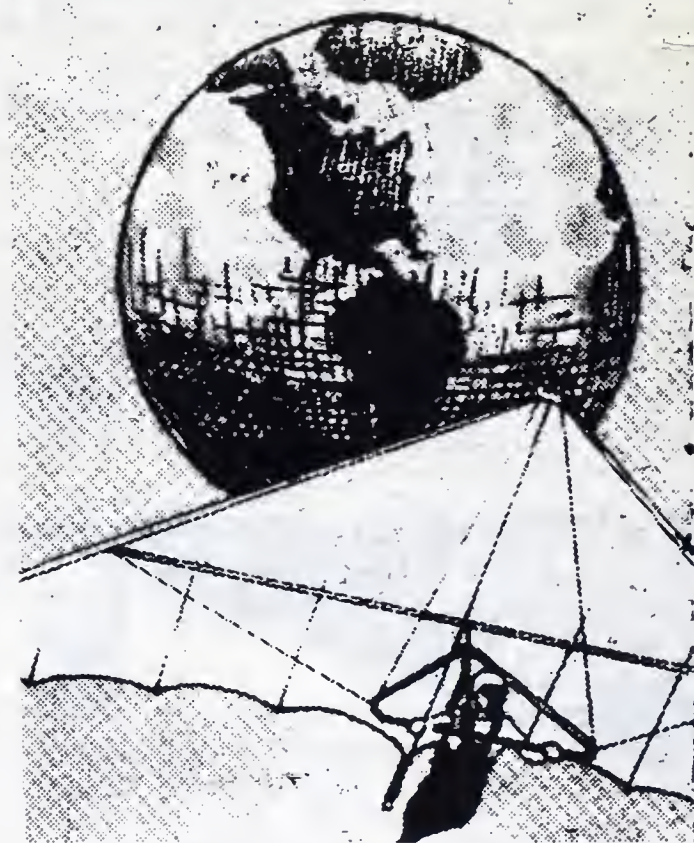
The magnetic tension zones attract the highly sensitive oxygen molecules and their concentrations in the little-moving atmosphere form a blanket of ozone, which has a high thermal effect—negative in winter and positive in summer.

By comparing paleomagnetic data about weather from ancient chronicles and documents, Kondratovich traced

back the continuous connection between weather and terrestrial magnetism over the past 5,000 years.

The cold wave in Europe in the 15th-16th centuries—the minor ice-age—recorded historically, coincides with the passing of the magnetic pole across the north of Greenland, upsetting atmospheric circulation.

It was precisely at those times that polar ice drifted down the north Atlantic and blocked the ancient routes of Scandinavian seafarers, who previously were believed to have sailed freely to Greenland and America—and even to have found a "warm water route" across the north of Canada.



## SPLIT WITH RMC

On the weekend, Laurentian Men's Volleyball team was host to a very determined group from RMC. Laurentian was riding high on an upset win over York, ranked 5th in Canada, in last weekend's play!

Ben Avery gymnasium was the sight of the confrontation, it was a gruelling 2 1/2 hour match. The Vees were led by the hard hitting offensive plays of Mike Dunn, Vance Jones and Gilles Kingsley. The team was quickly down 2 games in the best of 5. The Vees came together in the third game when Dave Buckle, a hard-working setter, entered and sparked the

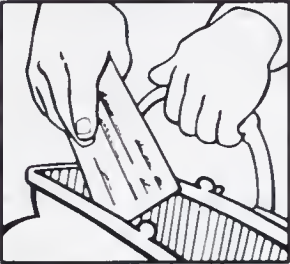
team onto victory. Laurentian held on and finally took the match 3 games to 2 by scores of 13-15, 14-16, 15-12, 16-14, 15-7.

On Sunday afternoon, the teams again took the floor. Both schools started off slow, Laurentian took an early one game lead. RMC came back to tie it. Eventually, when the last whistle sounded, the RMC Redmen had defeated Laurentian with scores of 13-15, 15-6, 11-15, 15-11, 15-11.

Laurentian's next action is on February 10th and 11th, when they visit U of Toronto and York.



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### INTRAMURAL CURLING

Sunday, Jan. 22 was the third week of LU intramural curling action and the point standings so far are as follows:

	W	L	Points
Brouse	0	3	6
Shannon	2	1	15
Lefebvre	2	1	18
Cooper	0	3	7
Fox	2	1	19
Toswell	2	1	17
Dave Harris	3	0	23
Fenton	0	3	6
Doug Harris	3	0	25
Milne	1	2	12
Booth	3	0	20

After a week's break, the league will resume on Feb. 5 at the Idylwyld Curling Club. That will be the final week of regular play with the playoffs being held on Feb. 12 at the Sudbury Curling Club.

### Huntington Hilites

A big salute to those people who have survived Carny this far, and lets rebuild those "Spirits" for a great Carnival final weekend. Upcoming events for carny include Thursday nights, SCTV Comedy Act in the Fraser Auditorium and the 3-legged Race on Friday followed that evening by the Casino Night in the Great Hall.

Saturday nights concluding dance will feature a three band extravaganza at the Great Hall. Another feature of the final weekend will be the Spad Invitational Floor Hockey Tournament followed by presentations and dance in the Huntington Social Centre on Saturday night.

Pat and Flipper's ski trip was a rousing success and featured some top quality skiing by some of Hunting-

ton's residents. John Fox will remember the day for his wrapping himself around a fence post. Madge gets the award for modelling the latest ski attire. Alison showed style attacking her wineskin. Schlong tried to take a shortcut through the forest and ending up attempting a unique mating ritual with an 18 year old maple tree. The skiers of the day were roommates Phillipe "Sure, I saw the barbed wire fence but I couldn't stop" Jean and John "the Avalanche Express" Mercalfe.

Numerous casualties were seen around Huntington this week including Terry "No I didn't want to play in the Spad Hockey Tourney" McLean, Dave "the only thing I can't repair is my foot" Coulson and Sandy "Skiing...No problem" Norval.

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## SPAD 7th Annual Floor Hockey Tournament Arrives

With the end of Carny week drawing near, excitement is being generated for this year's version of the Spad Floor Hockey Tournament. This event is being held on January 28th at Lockerby Composite on Walford Road and Laurentian main gyms. This tournament as with past years consists of 16 teams.

The teams hail from as far away as Kingston and Ottawa as well as containing a number of Campus teams such as Huntington Pucksters, U of S Stokers and UC Whatever.

The tournament begins Friday night January 27th with

Registration and a "beer for \$1" Pub night held at Huntington "Benders" Social Centre and ends with the Awards Ceremonies and Dance Saturday night also at Huntington starting at 6:30 pm.

version of ice hockey and because of this fact adds an element of surprise to all involved for the first time.

With the return of such strong teams as defending champion Smooth Rockfalls and the Hustlers from Peterborough and of course the mystery edition of Fen's Friends the tournament is

shaping up to be a quality event providing skill, sportsmanship and of course a lot of fun for all, whether a spectator, player or volunteer.

Tournament starts at 8:30 am Saturday January 28th until the end of the Carling Championship game which starts at 4:30 pm.

For any more information on this tournament don't hesitate to call: Rob Dempster 674-1056 or Chris Luck 674-0809.

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Rotary Norm Stoner  
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Before March 1, 1984



## Basketball

The men's basketball team hosted Queen's and York over the weekend. On Friday they defeated Queen's 79-77. At halftime the score was 44 to 38 in favour of Laurentian. Top scorers for Laurentian were Jeff McKibbin netting 25 pts. followed by Bill Sandblom with 12 pts. The following night they battled York to an 85-71 loss despite a close

fought first half of 39 to 35 for York. Jeff McKibbin was top scorer for Laurentian with 26 pts. followed by Rob Thirkill with 17 pts. Top scorer for York was Tim Rider with 27 pts.

Next action for the Vees will be next weekend when they travel down south for games against Ryerson and York.

## VEES Staying Healthy

This weekend the Lady Vees' Basketball team continued their unbeaten streak in their regular season play to 8 games by defeating Queen's University and York University.

At home Friday night the Lady Vees handed the second place Queen's Golden Gals their first loss of the regular season. At half time the Lady Vees were up 27-13 and they did not let up in the second half as they went on to outshoot the Golden Gals 56-24. Top scorers for Laurentian were Joy Bellinger with 18 pts. and Lori Kanopic with 12 pts.

Saturday night the Lady Vees were victorious again, this time over the York Yoe-

women. The Lady Vees soon took command of the game and at the end of the first half were up by a score of 36-23. The second half was no different as the Vees took command again and went onto defeat the Yeowomen 73-54. Top scorers for the Vees were Joy Bellinger and Lori Kanopic with 22 pts. and Anne Rimes with 12 pts.

The Lady Vees are in command of the first place position in the OWIAA East Division with 8 wins and 0 losses. Next weekend the Lady Vees are at home Saturday night at 6 p.m. to the Ottawa Gee-Gees.

## Faculty and Mafia Still Undefeated

Two teams remain undefeated with one week of action left in the men's intramural basketball league. In the Classic Section, Faculty have already assured themselves of first place with a 4-0 perfect record.

On Tuesday night, the Faculty Selects limited U of S to four points in the first half on their way to a 49 to 14 win. In the first game of the night, Tony Lefevre scored five

points in a losing cause, when the SPAD Rimsters lost 71 to 31 against the E Lakers. In the B Division, the Huntington Knights outscored Thorneloe Thunder 30 to 26.

In the second game of Thursday night action, the Mafia won their fourth consecutive game by a score of 52 to 34 against UC Redcaps. The first game was cancelled and the Ten Men and Thorneloe Nads will meet another time.

## Women's Intramural

On Tuesday, January 17 at 9 pm, the Ulcerette Ugliers defeated the University of Sudbury by a score of 37 to 27. Top scorer for the Ulcerette Ugliers was Peggy Smith with 12 points. In the second game of the evening, the UC 67's defeated the Thorneloe Thunderbirds by a score of 19 to 4. Top scorer for UC was Mona LeBlanc with 9 points.

In the 11 pm game, the SSR Honolulu's defaulted to the

LeeLee Pads.

On Thursday, January 19, the Thorneloe Thunderbirds defeated U of Sudbury by a score of 27 to 10. High scorer for Thorneloe was Sandra Shane with 11 points. Also on Thursday, the LeeLee Pads defaulted to the J-Birds and the Ulcerette Ugliers defaulted to the Huntington Hacks.

Final Standings and Playoff schedules will be posted shortly.

## 1984-85 WINTER SESSION

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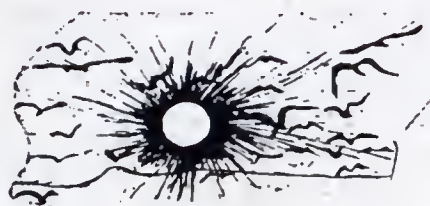
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## POETRY

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THE SUN

I was too close  
I could not see it  
I searched too deep its centre  
I could not see it  
...much too close.

## LEARNING

Cosmic realities invading  
space  
Propagating relationships  
down axons  
Sifting direct current  
potentials  
Effecting protein synthesis  
Altering neurofilaments  
A third order dendritic branch  
has grown.

K. Makarec



There was him,  
Only him.  
With his scarf blowing in the  
wind,  
And his long coat,  
Flowing open to the wind,  
As he ran.  
In the distance  
For the distance.

Man of passion,  
Man of agony,  
Lostman, confusedman,  
He ran.  
Ran for the distance.

## VISION

In the distance I saw a man.  
A man,  
Running in the distance.

Nothing but snow all around,  
And white fog and white air.  
As he ran,  
Ran in the distance,  
For the distance.

For what else was there,  
For such an anxious soul,  
For such an unsure thing,  
But to run,  
Run for the distance.  
Faster than life,  
Quicker than life,  
If only to survive it.

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## FINAL EXAMINATIONS

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## LAURENTIAN UNIVERSITY TABLE TENNIS CLUB

## INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

DATE: Sunday, February 12th, 1984  
LOCATION: Teacher's College Gymnasium [L.U.]  
TIME: At 1:30 p.m.  
ENTRY DEADLINE: February 10th, 1984  
INFORMATION: Ai Mee lee [674-0014]  
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WHEN:  
Tuesday, January 31, 1984 at  
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WHERE:  
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CONTACT:  
Gerry Spencer  
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The SGA is looking for a Chief Returning Officer to handle the upcoming referendum elections as well as a CRO for the regular SGA elections in March.

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1984 Jan/Feb.

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